

OFFICER DEVELOPMENT SCHOOL



Graduation Exercises

CLASS 13110

***Officer Training Command
Newport, Rhode Island***

October 18, 2013

Along with the staff of Officer Training Command, I extend my warmest greetings to you and the members of this graduating class. These officers have successfully completed a difficult curriculum designed to prepare them for positions of responsibility throughout our Navy and Marine Corps. On this occasion we recognize their achievements and wish them continued success in their future as Naval Officers. Well Done!

VERNON P. KEMPER
CAPTAIN, UNITED STATES NAVY
COMMANDING OFFICER
OFFICER TRAINING COMMAND NEWPORT

PROGRAM

Division Marches On

Entry of Official Party

National Anthem

Invocation

CHAPLAIN MICKEY WEIKEL, CHC, USN
COMMAND CHAPLAIN, OFFICER TRAINING COMMAND NEWPORT

Remarks and Introduction of Guest Speaker

CAPTAIN VERNON P. KEMPER, USN
COMMANDING OFFICER, OFFICER TRAINING COMMAND NEWPORT

Guest Speaker

CAPTAIN SUSAN BRYHAN, MSC, USN
COMMAND LEADERSHIP SCHOOL
NEWPORT, RI

Retiring of the Guidons

Reaffirmation of Officers Oath

Service Songs

Dismissal



**CAPTAIN VERNON P. KEMPER, USN
COMMANDING OFFICER
OFFICER TRAINING COMMAND NEWPORT**

Captain Kemper, a native of Festus, Missouri, graduated from the Missouri University of Science and Technology in 1986 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Chemical Engineering. He was commissioned in November 1986 following completion of Naval Officer Candidate School in Newport, Rhode Island. His sea-going assignments have included duty aboard both attack and ballistic missile submarines in the Atlantic and Pacific Fleet: division officer tours aboard USS GLENARD P LIPSCOMB (SSN 685) and USS FINBACK (SSN 670), duty as the Navigator and Engineer Officer onboard USS JAMES K POLK (SSN 645), and assignment as Executive Officer aboard USS NEBRASKA (SSBN 739) (BLUE).

His shore assignments have included duty on the staff of the U.S. JOINT FORCES COMMAND in Norfolk, Virginia, where he served as Maritime Operations Officer, and Navy Personnel Command, where he served as Assistant Director of the Center for Career Development. From April 2005 to June 2006, he was assigned as the Deputy Commander of COMSUBRON SEVENTEEN, where he was responsible for the training and readiness of eleven submarine crews.

He served as Commanding Officer, Naval Submarine Support Center, Bangor from June 2006 to October 2008, providing maintenance, logistics, administrative, legal, medical and religious programs support to over 4,000 Sailors in 22 submarine crews assigned to the PACNORWEST Region. Following his command tour, Captain Kemper served as the Commander Submarine Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet Representative at Puget Sound Naval Shipyard, where he was responsible directly to the Force Commander for the training and readiness of the propulsion plant and propulsion watchstanders of SUBPAC nuclear submarines and submarine tenders undergoing modernization or overhaul.

Captain Kemper assumed command of Officer Training Command, Newport on 24 February 2012. The command is responsible for the training and development of approximately 3300 officers per year and includes: Officer Candidate School, Officer Development School, Direct Commission Officer Indoctrination Course, Limited Duty Officer/Warrant Officer Indoctrination School, and the Naval Science Institute.

Captain Kemper also holds a Master of Science degree in Financial Management from the Naval Postgraduate School, where he was designated a Conrad Scholar and received the 1993 Department of Defense Award for Excellence in Financial Management.

His personal awards include the Legion of Merit, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (3 Awards), Navy Commendation Medal (4 awards), Navy Achievement Medal (5 awards) and various campaign awards.



CAPTAIN SUSAN E. BRYHAN, USN MEDICAL SERVICE CORPS

A native of York, Pennsylvania, she received her Bachelor of Science degree in Finance from the Pennsylvania State University in 1983. She also completed a Masters of Business Administration (MBA) in 1993 and a Masters in Educational Administration in 1994 from Old Dominion University in Norfolk, Va.

In 1985 she was commissioned as an Ensign, Medical Service Corps, and for the next twelve years she served in a variety of director, department head and administrative officer positions at Naval Dental Center, Norfolk, Va.; Naval Medical Command, Mid-Atlantic Region, Norfolk, Va.; Naval Hospital, Portsmouth, Va.; Environmental and Preventive Medicine Unit #2, Norfolk, Va.; and Naval School of Health Sciences, Portsmouth, Va.

In 1997, she reported to USNS COMFORT (T-AH 20) as the Administration Department Head/DFA and qualified as a Surface Warfare Medical Department Officer after completing Baltic Challenge 1999.

She reported to Naval Hospital, Great Lakes, IL., in 1999 and was first Department Head, USS RED ROVER Medical Clinic where she was responsible for the medical in-processing of 55,000 recruits per year. After a year she became the Head of USS TRANQUILLITY Medical Clinic, an acute care clinic with peak monthly visits of 18,000 caring for recruits and staff members of five tenant commands.

In January 2003 she reported as Officer in Charge of the David R. Ray Health Center (Branch Medical Clinic) in Everett, Wa., where she was responsible for the healthcare of over 7,000 enrolled active duty and family members. Returning to Naval Hospital, Great Lakes in November 2005, she was Deputy Director and Director of Healthcare Operations with a primary role of integrating the command with the North Chicago VA Medical Center. She fleeted up as the Executive Officer in March 2007, where she oversaw a staff of over 1,550. Captain Bryhan assumed command of Naval Hospital Oak Harbor, WA on April 16, 2010 and reported to Command Leadership School in Newport, RI in September 2012.

Captain Bryhan has achieved Fellow status in the American College of Healthcare Executives. Her personal decorations include the Legion of Merit, Meritorious Service Medal (2), Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (3) and the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (2) and various unit and service awards.

CLASS OFFICER



LIEUTENANT BRENDAN PIGOTT UNITED STATES NAVY

LT Pigott is a 2009 graduate of the Massachusetts Maritime Academy where he was commissioned an Ensign through the Merchant Marine Reserve Program. His first tour was onboard USS CHAFEE (DDG 90) in Pearl Harbor, HI. Onboard CHAFEE he deployed to 7th Fleet in support of operations with the navies of Singapore, Brunei, India, Malaysia, and Japan. In September 2010, LT Pigott attended the Surface Warfare Officer School Advanced Shiphandling and Tactics Course earning his Surface Warfare Officer designation in February 2011.

LT Pigott was promoted to Lieutenant Junior Grade in May 2011 and voluntarily deployed to Chinhae, South Korea in August 2011 as a Naval Events Controller for Commander, Naval Forces Korea in support of Exercise Ulchi Freedom Guardian, the world's largest simulated war game.

LT Pigott transferred from USS CHAFEE (DDG 90) in November 2011 and reported to the Surface Warfare Officer School to attend the Navy's first convening of the Surface Navigator's Course. He reported to USS KAUFFMAN (FFG 59) based in Norfolk, VA in December 2011 as the Navigator. Onboard KAUFFMAN LT Pigott qualified the ship's navigation warfare program for Afloat Training Group Atlantic, participated in the USS HARRY S. TRUMAN (CVN 75) Composite Unit Training Exercise, and the Board of Inspection and Survey. He transferred from USS KAUFFMAN in May 2013.

LT Pigott holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Marine Transportation and a United States Coast Guard Merchant Mariners License as a Third Mate of Steam and Motor Vessels of Unlimited Tonnage Upon Oceans.

LT Pigott's personal awards include two Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medals. He was promoted to full Lieutenant in June 2013.

LT Pigott is currently a Class Officer and Instructor at Officer Training Command, Newport, RI.

RECRUIT DIVISION COMMANDER (RDC)



SENIOR CHIEF NAVAL AIRCREWMAN HELICOPTER (NAC/AW/SW) HATLER RIDDLE UNITED STATES NAVY

Senior Chief Riddle was born and raised in Paintsville, KY and graduated from Paintsville High School. He enlisted in the Navy in March 1996. He attended boot-camp at RTC Great Lakes, IL and completed a series of follow on training at Naval Aircrewman School in Pensacola, FL, AMS "A" school in Millington, TN, and Fleet Replacement Aircrewman School in San Diego, CA. In May 1997, he reported to his first duty assignment at Helicopter Support Squadron FIVE (HC-5) in Agana Guam, where he deployed as an in-flight mechanic and Search and Rescue Crew Chief on the Navy H-46. In May of 2000 he reported to the most productive helicopter Fleet Replacement Aircrew squadron in the Navy, Helicopter Support Squadron THREE (HC-3) in San Diego CA. There he became the first H-46 helicopter instructor to transition to the MH-60S helicopter. While at HC-3 he was selected as HC-3's MH-60S Sea Combat Aircrew Instructor of the Year as well as completing his Bachelor degree from Southern Illinois University. In March 2004 he transferred to Helicopter Support Squadron EIGHT (HC-8) to help lead the transition to the Navy's newest helicopter and reassignment as Helicopter Sea Combat Squadron TWO EIGHT (HSC-28). There he served as the Unit NATOPS Instructor and Detachment SIX's Leading Petty Officer onboard the USS NASSAU. In November 2006 he was hand selected to standup the newest helicopter squadron on the east coast, Helicopter Sea Combat Squadron TWO TWO (HSC-22). Upon reporting to HSC-22 he was advanced to Chief Petty Officer, serving as Tactics Leading Chief Petty Officer and Detachment ONE Leading Chief Petty Officer on board the USS BATAAN. In January 2011 he returned to Great Lakes, IL to attend RDC School reporting to OTCN in March 2011 where he was recently promoted to Senior Chief Petty Officer and serves as the Officer Development School Leading Chief Petty Officer.

Senior Chief Riddle's personal decorations include Enlisted Naval Aircrew Wings, Enlisted Aviation Warfare Specialist, Enlisted Surface Warfare Specialist, Master Training Specialist, Navy Commendation Medal (two awards), Navy Achievement Medal (four awards), Meritorious Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal, Navy Good Conduct Medal (five awards), and various campaign awards and unit citations for Operation SOUTHERN WATCH, ENDURING FREEDOM, IRAQI FREEDOM, NEW HORIZON and UNIFIED RESONSE.



OFFICER TRAINING COMMAND NEWPORT

CAPT Vernon P. Kemper, USN, Commanding Officer
CDR Jeremy Duehring, USN, Executive Officer
ADCS (AW) Jacob Erickson, USN, Command Senior Chief
LT Mickey Weikel, CHC, USN, Command Chaplain
CDR Yolanda Kern, USN, Schools Administrator
LCDR Joseph Raez, USN, Learning Standards Officer

OFFICER DEVELOPMENT SCHOOL/ DIRECT COMMISSION OFFICER STAFF

LCDR Neva Fuentes, NC, USN, ODS/DCO Course Supervisor
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LT Fernando Patron, MSC, USN, ODS Lead Instructor
LT Natalie Claypool, NC, USN, DCO Lead Instructor
LT Kareem Washington, USN, Instructor
LT Jeffrey Samuels, NC, USN, Instructor
LT Ralph Deconti, NC, USN, Instructor
LT David Coco, USN, Instructor
LT Derrick Randle, MSC, USN, Instructor
LT Brendan Pigott, USN, Instructor
AMC (AW/SW) Edgar Ruiz, USN, RDC
AZC (AW/SW) Erika Reddick, USN, RDC

**OFFICER DEVELOPMENT SCHOOL
CLASS 13110 CLASS ROSTER**



“Quebec Signal Flag”

ENS Zacharia M. Barnes
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ENS Denise P. Gates
LTJG Harry Guarino
ENS Richard M. Gude
LT Kevin Q. Hoang
LT Angela Z. Jiatsu
LTJG Travis S. Kelley
ENS Jeremy G. Long
LTJG Blake N. Lyman
LT Michelle C. Mahone
ENS Shannon D. McMiller
ENS Brian D. McNeil
ENS Patricia J. McRae
ENS Guillaume Mok
LTJG Caitlin R. Nichols
LT Kevin P. Parekh
LT Christopher G. Pellejera
LT Alexandra J. Perkins
ENS Nicole M. Pitts
ENS Daniel E. Rosinski
LT Kyle H. Shepard
ENS Cruz Venegas
LTJG Derek J. Witkowski

OATH OF OFFICE

I DO SOLEMNLY REAFFIRM THAT I WILL SUPPORT AND DEFEND THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES AGAINST ALL ENEMIES, FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC, THAT I WILL BEAR TRUE FAITH AND ALLEGIANCE TO THE SAME; THAT I TAKE THIS OBLIGATION FREELY, WITHOUT ANY MENTAL RESERVATION OR PURPOSE OF EVASION; AND THAT I WILL WELL AND FAITHFULLY DISCHARGE THE DUTIES OF THE OFFICE ON WHICH I AM ABOUT TO ENTER, SO HELP ME GOD.